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: Diagnostic Compositions, Elements, Methods and Test Kits For Amplification and Detection of Two or More DNA's Using Primers Having Matched

Melting Temperatures

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) dated mailed July 15, 2004, the one-month date for response to which is August 15, 2004.

It was asserted that the Amendment filed on July 1, 2004 is considered non-compliant as it failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 in that a complete listing of all the claims was not submitted. Applicants reviewed the

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Amendments to the Claims sections and have amended that section, presented herewith in its entirety, to include the fact that claims 15-27 had also been earlier canceled.

If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this letter, authorization is hereby granted to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No.10-0750/CDS-226/CKG in the name of Johnson & Johnson.

Respectfully submitted,

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